Northwest RTO Discussions

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• Organization

- Filing Utilities
- Regional Representatives Group
- Committees

• Status

- Initial Workshops Complete
- Committees Meeting Weekly

Fixed Cost Pricing

- Items Decided (we think)
 - Load Based Access Charge
 - License Plate Application
- <u>Items Not Decided Yet</u>
 - What Facilities are Included
 - Area Boundaries (Company or Other)
 - Structure of Inter-area Payments
- Seams Issues
 - Definition of Export Charge
 - Reciprocity for Export Charge

Congestion Management

- Items Decided (we think)
 - Favor Bilateral Energy Market
 - "Flowgate" Constraint Application
 - Flow Distributed Allocation
 - Zonal Simplification?

• Items Not Decided Yet

- Nature of Transmission Rights
- Settlement Timing and Process
 (Are rights required to submit a schedule?)
- Relation to Balancing Market

Seams Issues

- Application of Constraints
- Whether to recognize flow distribution
- When and how to balance and settle
- Nature of transmission rights

Other Topics – Undeveloped

- Curtailment Procedures
 - Emergency Actions Not Market Based
 - Need Coordinated Protocols and Actions
- Coordination of Commercial Practices
 - Coordination is Required
 - But, Basic Structure Not Defined Yet
- Coordinated Outage Planning
 - RTO Will Schedule Maintenance